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TWO CENTS.

WILSON AND MARSHALL ARE NOMINATED BY DEMOCRATS

After Midnight Session Marked by Scenes of Wildest Enthusiasm, Convention Began Its Final Session Shortly Before Noon Today Hoping to Finish Soon

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AT LAST COMPLETES PLATFORM DRAFT

Delegates Howled, Cheered and Sang for 45 Minutes Last Night After Judge Westcott Named Wilson—Hyphen Plank Adopted to Meet President's Wishes

ST. LOUIS, June 16.—After a protracted and strenuous night session which ended about midnight in the nomination of Woodrow Wilson and Thomas R. Marshall for president and vice president the Democratic national convention began its final session in the Coliseum this morning in the expectation that adjournment would be taken late in the afternoon.

The feature of today's session was the presentation of the platform on which the resolutions committee worked steadily for nearly 24 hours.

The resolutions committee of the Democratic national convention after almost 24 hours of deliberation finished its draft of the platform at 8 o'clock this morning and authorized Senator Stone to present it to the convention. The committee began its final session at 11 o'clock last night and kept at work continuously until the work was completed. Few changes in the platform drawn by the sub-committee of nine were made, but the night was spent in the discussion of some of the more important planks, especially those on Mexico, suffrage and Americanism.

There were not more than 200 delegates in the Coliseum at 11 o'clock, the hour for the final session to begin, and the seats were filling slowly. There were no crowds around the doors. It was not until 11:26 that Chairman James called the convention to order.

The platform declares that the sacred rights of American citizenship must be preserved at home and abroad. "We unreservedly endorse our President and Vice President, who have performed the functions of their great offices faithfully and impartially and with distinguished ability. In particular we commend to the American people the splendid diplomatic victories of our great President, who has kept us out of war. Woodrow Wilson stands today the greatest American of his generation."

President Wilson's renomination came about by acclamation at 11:52 last evening and three minutes later Vice President Thomas R. Marshall was nominated, also by acclamation. John W. Westcott of New Jersey placed the President's name before the convention and his speech was followed by a demonstration which lasted 45 minutes.

Last evening's session was called to order by Chairman James at 9:15. The crowd present, so large that the fire department had to aid the police in maintaining order, heeded the rapping of the chairman's gavel long enough to hear a prayer and then renewed its demands for a speech from William Jennings Bryan.

Senator Thompson then moved a suspension of the rules to permit Mr. Bryan to speak. When the motion was put there were some "noes," but the chairman ruled two-thirds had voted in favor.

A committee headed by Senator

unreservedly endorses the Underwood tariff law.

Regarding the anti-American movement in this country the platform condemns all alliances and combinations of persons of whatever nationality or descent who conspire for the purpose of embarrassing, weakening or improperly influencing the government.

Reference is made to the sending of an armed force into Mexico, and the platform states: "Unless the restoration of law and order therein and repetition of such incursions is impracticable the necessity for their remaining will continue."

The President's attitude of handling the relations with foreign governments in matters arising out of the European war is commended.

The platform advocates the regulation of employment of persons in the government service; reaffirms faith in the seamen's act; favors an adequate public health service; economy in public expenditures; reaffirms the party's belief in the rigid enforcement of the civil service and endorses the recent house bill in the matter of the Philippine policy. On the question of woman's suffrage the platform states: "We recommend the extension of the franchise to the women of the country by these states upon the same terms as to men."

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Senator Stone was introduced at 12:26 to read the platform. He was given prolonged applause. Describing the committee's labors as somewhat protracted and arduous Senator Stone made a brief introductory address. "I am not going to read it," he said, referring to the platform. "I have not been able to sleep in more than 30 hours."

The reading was delegated to Senator Walsh and Senator Hollis of New Hampshire. Senator Walsh took the speaker's stand first and began reading at 12:30.

The platform as adopted endorses the administration of President Wilson and, after relating the work accomplished by the Democrats, reaffirms their belief in a tariff for revenue only and

READS OF HIS NOMINATION.

President Rose Early to Get Details of Convention's Action.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—President Wilson rose early today to read accounts in the morning papers telling of his renomination by the Democratic convention at St. Louis late last night. He had been awakened from sleep an hour after midnight by Secretary Taft and told over the telephone of the convention's action in naming him and Vice President Marshall by acclamation.

"I am very grateful to my generous friends," was his only comment. The President retired only after receiving over special White House wires assurances that the plank denouncing the political activities of persons of foreign birth would be adopted without change from his own draft.

CONGRATULATES MARSHALL.

Republican Nominee for Vice President Sends Greeting to Townsman.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 16.—Vice President Marshall, who was renominated by acclamation at the St. Louis convention last night and Charles W. Fairbanks, former vice president, who was named by the Chicago convention, both are residents of Indianapolis and are warm personal friends of long standing.

Among the first to congratulate Mr. Fairbanks last week was Mr. Marshall and today the Republican nominee sent his congratulations to the vice president. Both of them are ready to enter upon their campaigns as soon as they have been officially notified of their nominations.

Kern of Indiana escorted Mr. Bryan to the speaker's place while the floor and galleries roared their approval. Senator James introduced Mr. Bryan as "one of the leading citizens of the world and America's greatest Democrat."

Mr. Bryan opened by expressing his appreciation of the honor conferred by the invitation to speak to the convention, and then made a remarkable address, pledging his support to President Wilson.

While Mr. Bryan was speaking word came in from time to time from leaders marooned outside and from more than 200 delegates who could not enter. Rescuing parties of officers went out and got some of them inside. Norman E. Mack, the national committee man from New York, and Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany, were among those who struggled for nearly an hour to gain recognition before getting through the lines.

Chairman James directed the police to go to the entrances and admit all delegates, alternates and members of the press, marooned outside.

Then the roll of the states was called for nomination. Alabama yielded to New Jersey and Judge John Westcott nominated President Wilson.

As Judge Westcott closed with a mention of the name "Woodrow Wilson" the crowd broke into a great demonstration. Moving picture flashlights blazed and flags were paraded in front of the stand. The band played The Star Spangled Banner while a huge banner bearing the President's likeness was unfurled from the roof of the hall.

The delegates began a parade bearing state stanchions. The crowd on the floor and balconies rose to its feet. Many delegates stood on their chairs. Chairman James yielded the chair during the demonstration to Representative Helen of Alabama. Women delegates were among the paraders in the aisles. Senators and representatives helped carry banners. Senator Hughes personally bore the New Jersey flag.

There was absolutely no attempt to

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MORRISON DISCUSSES OPENING OF STATION

Sees No Reason Why Public Celebration Should Not Be Held—Equipment Expected in Few Days.

J. W. Morrison of St. Albans, chief engineer of the Central Vermont Railway Co., was in town this morning to consult town officials about laying out Vernon street. The town officials are anxious to have the street laid out in order that they may lay the sidewalk. The inability of Attorney Alexander of the Boston & Maine railroad and Attorney Black of the Central Vermont to be present made Mr. Morrison's trip here of no avail. A new date will be set for the meeting.

Mr. Morrison was asked about the date for the opening of the new railroad station. He said that it depended entirely upon the arrival of the furniture and equipment for the interior of the station and that was expected in a few days. Every effort will be made, he said, to have the station in use when the summer schedule of trains becomes effective June 26.

In reply to a question about a public reception at the time of the opening he said that he knew nothing about any plans for one except what had been said to him in Brattleboro. He was told that Mr. E. J. Guthrie of the southern division of the road was agreeable to a celebration and said that he saw no reason why one should not be held if desired by the board of trade and residents of the town generally.

It was suggested that it might be well to have such an opening an evening or two before the station is formally put into service, for to have the reception on the day the station is opened or on the evening before would be a handicap to those who have duties there, for the moving from the old to the new quarters will mean a night of work for all concerned.

PAID SUPERVISOR FOR PLAYGROUND

Miss Clapp Comes Tomorrow to Take Charge of Oak Grove Ground—Grammar Schools Close.

The Oak Grove school playground at the Valley fair grounds will open Monday under the supervision of Miss Olive L. Clapp, a graduate of the Pease school of gymnastics of Boston, who will come to Brattleboro tomorrow. This playground is for the use of children in that district and the first one in town to be under the direction of a trained and salaried supervisor.

The grammar schools of the village close today for the long summer vacation, the graduation exercises of the ninth grade taking place this afternoon in the First Baptist church. The public kindergarten also closed today and after a brief vacation the kindergarten playground will be opened mornings as it was last year.

GERMAN ATTACK FAILED.

Attempt on French Position Near Thiaumont Broke Down Under Fire.

Paris, June 16.—Powerful German attacks made last night on the French position southeast of Thiaumont, on the Verdun front broke down under the French machine guns and infantry fire, according to today's statement by the war office.

The statement says the Germans began their assault on the night of the 15th from the edge of Hill 320. At the same time another attack was launched at the southern edge of the Calb wood. All attacks were repulsed. The trench captured by the French yesterday on the southern slope of Dead Man's hill was also the subject of several German counter attacks during the night, all of which failed. It was announced that the total number of prisoners taken by the French on their trench attack is five officers and 180 soldiers.

USING JAPANESE GUNS.

Russians Give Credit to New High Power Weapon.

LONDON, June 16.—A despatch to the Central News Agency from Petrograd says much of the success of the Russian artillery in their great drive is due to the use of the new Japanese guns. These guns are said to be more powerful than any that the Russians have had heretofore and are charged with shells filled with a new explosive, the destructive power of which is terrific.

EARTHQUAKES IN ITALY.

Forli and Rimini Report Heavy Shock—No Casualties.

ROME, by way of Paris, June 16.—A heavy earth shock was reported at 3:25 o'clock this morning at Forli, a town in Central Italy having a population of 50,000 and at Rimini, a town with the same number of persons, 28 miles further east. There were no casualties.

THE WEATHER.

What's the Use of Dwelling Upon It?—Same for Tonight and Tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The weather forecast: Probably showers tonight and Saturday with rising temperatures and fresh east to south winds.

The Spanish government is contemplating the establishment of direct wireless service with the United States.

RAILWAY MEN TO TAKE VOTE

On Advisability of a Strike to Enforce Demand for Eight-Hour Day

FAILED TO REACH ANY AGREEMENT

Plan of Road Managers Rejected by Representatives of Employees—Result of Strike Vote to be Submitted to Roads by Aug. 1.

NEW YORK, June 16.—More than 400,000 union and non-union railroad workers of America will vote within a month on the advisability of calling a general strike to enforce their demands for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime, as a result of the failure by representatives of the railroads and the men to reach a settlement here yesterday after a two weeks' conference.

Hope of adjusting the dispute through the conference failed when the railroads submitted a tentative compromise offer to the men, granting their demands, but eliminating the majority of existing "double compensation" rules. The conference adjourned Wednesday to give the railroad managers an opportunity to discuss their stand on this point, but when they met the men yesterday they not only refused to make a specific offer covering the compensation rules, but advised that their differences be submitted to either the Interstate Commerce Commission or a board of arbitration to operate under the provision of the Newlands act. The men declined both offers, and the decision to take a strike vote followed.

The leaders and the 500 delegates of the four brotherhoods of trainmen, engineers, firemen and conductors, who attended the conference decided on the necessity for the strike vote at a secret meeting following the break.

A. B. Garretson, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors, announced later that the ballot will be drafted today and rushed to the printer for distribution to all railroad men, whether members of the brotherhoods or not, before the close of next week.

The canvass will consume at least three weeks, Mr. Garretson and the other leaders agreed, and before August the result will be known. If the men vote a general strike the leaders will return here and again present the demands of the men to the railroads in an effort either to gain their demands or to reach a compromise offer without the necessity of putting the strike actually into effect.

Elimination of the "double compensation rules," the railroad men contend, would not only impair, but limit their earning power. It would wipe out wage increases that the men have fought for and gained during the last 25 years from individual railroads and systems, they assert. The monthly remuneration of certain engineers would be reduced by \$75, they claim, while certain firemen would suffer cuts averaging \$30 to \$40 per month.

Whereas under the present rules, the men, as an engineer or brakeman, for example, now receives pay for two full days for performing a duty other than that prescribed in his class of work within one working day of 10 hours, under the railroads' tentative compromise offer he would receive pay for only one day of eight hours and the new overtime rate for overtime, no matter what the varieties of duties assigned him.

There are other features of the rules which vary with railroads and railway systems. The most important and most general call for overtime charges is when an employee is delayed in being called to duty or interrupted in the course of his work. These and many other such charges would be abolished under the railroads' plan.

MANY GOING TO WESTON MEETING

Rutland Merchants' Association Already Has 25 Cars—Several from Here Plan to Attend.

A number of Brattleboro persons have planned to attend the fourth annual agricultural meeting in Weston Thursday, June 22, going by automobile. Special interest is being taken in Rutland and a large number will go from there. Jay Coryell, assistant county agent leader, writes County Agent A. W. Sweeton of this town as follows regarding the Rutland plans: "You will doubtless be pleased to know of the interest taken by the Rutland Merchants' association in the Weston meeting. I happened to be present this morning when the committee was talking over the matter, and I am pleased to find that they have approximately twenty-five cars carrying about one hundred and twenty-five people ready to go from the city of Rutland."

It is suggested that the boards of trade and merchants' associations in this county get as many as possible to meet the men from Rutland and other counties.

CENTRE CHURCH TO BE PAINTED WHITE

Marked Change in Appearance About to Take Place—Plans in Progress for 100th Anniversary.

In its 100 years of existence the Centre Congregational church building has undergone several changes in outward appearance, but none more marked than the one which is about to take place. Preliminary work was begun today by Johnson & Halgren, who will paint the church white, which will be in decided contrast with the present dark brown color and will make the building a conspicuous object on Main street. The blinds will be painted green, which will make a very effective combination.

When it was decided some time ago to observe the centennial of the church it was decided to improve the outward appearance of the building, also to redecorate the interior of the chapel and parlors, which will be done at this time. No change will be made at present in the interior of the main building.

Details are being worked out for the centennial celebration. The church was organized July 5, 1816. On Wednesday, July 5, of this year a marker will be dedicated on the village common, where the church stood before being moved to its present site. A pageant will take place, of which further notice will be given. On the evening of the next day, Thursday, it is planned to have a musical entertainment. The anniversary program contemplates a communion service Friday afternoon, which will be just 100 years from the first communion, when the church stood on the common, also a meeting in the church in the evening, to be addressed by former pastors. A reception and exhibition of articles such as were in use in Brattleboro a century ago are planned for Saturday afternoon, and on Sunday there will be a communion service and sermon by a former pastor in the morning and a historical paper in the evening.

All the living former pastors of the church are invited to attend their invitation to be present, and other visitors will be here. All of the various features will be open to the public. The plans will be outlined in detail at a later date.

The work of the painters makes it impossible to hold tonight's prayer meeting in the Centre church house.

THREE IMPRISONED AFTER BOOZE RAID

Special Justice Stowe Sentences Gagnon for Selling and King and Dinelle for Furnishing.

One man pleaded guilty to selling liquor and two others to furnishing liquor, before Special Justice E. D. E. Stowe in the municipal court this morning. Each man was sentenced to the house of correction at Rutland for not less than three months nor more than four months. They were George Gagnon, charged with selling; George King and Damos Dinelle, each charged with furnishing.

King and Gagnon were arrested last night in the home of Fred Baker, 316 South Main street, by Sheriff C. E. Mann, Deputy Sheriff C. L. Knapp and Special Officer Sullivan Barbeti, who raided the Baker home as the result of complaints and following a week of carousal there. Dinelle was arrested this morning at the same place.

King and Gagnon, employees of the F. D. Dunham mill, have boarded at Baker's home as an employee of the mill. Kegs of beer and ale have been arriving at the Baker home with increasing frequency and the result has been increasing noise and disturbance. Gagnon went yesterday to Greenfield, Mass., where he bought two kegs of liquid refreshments and sold one of them to King.

Dinelle has been conducting a barbershop in what formerly was a store under the Baker tenement. He closed his shop a day or two ago and joined in the general local celebration, contributing considerable beer and ale to the jollification.

In the raid the officers seized two cases of ale, which Justice Stowe condemned and ordered destroyed.

VOTE ON TRAFFIC RULES THIS EVENING

Special Village Meeting in Festival Hall at 8 O'clock—No Opposition Developed as Yet.

So far as can be learned there is no opposition to the plan of adopting traffic regulations in the special village meeting to be held this evening in Festival hall at 8 o'clock. The commissioners have been told by several who are owners and drivers of automobiles that the proposed regulations are not strict enough and that they would be glad to see even more stringent rules put into force.

It has been suggested to the commissioners that another rule be added to the proposed list, to prevent automobiles from spattering pedestrians in muddy weather. The commissioners believe, however, that the enforcement of the speed law will meet that problem more effectively than any special rule could.

Veteran Railroad Man Dies.

NEWPORT, June 16.—Walter J. Avery, 66, for many years a passenger conductor on the Passumpsic division of the Boston & Maine railroad, died yesterday at his home here, following a long illness with heart trouble. About 20 years ago he resigned from the employ of the railroad and opened a men's furnishing store. For the past 15 years he had been ticket agent for the Canadian Pacific railroad. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon. He leaves a wife and two brothers.

MACHINE GUN IS PROMISED

Unnamed Friend to Present One to Brattleboro Militia Company

COMPANY MAY BE CALLED TO SERVICE

Motor for Aeroplane Offered at Nominal Price, Also Materials for Construction of Aeroplane—Captain Gibson Wants Recruits.

The members of Company I, V. N. G., were treated to several surprises at drill last evening. Capt. E. W. Gibson announced that the company had received from an unnamed friend the promise of a machine gun as soon as the government decides upon the make to be used. The gun will be bought and presented to the company.

He also announced that the company has been offered, at a nominal price, a motor for an aeroplane and some of the materials necessary for the construction of an aeroplane.

Later the captain asked such members of the company as felt that they would not be able or willing to respond to the call to go into active service to request at once their discharge papers, and not a man stepped from the ranks. Captain Gibson said that he did not lay claim to being a prophet, but that he expected the company would be called into service by the government before the Mexican situation clarified, and he wished every member of the company to be ready to respond.

Three men have been discharged recently from the company. Walter E. Spear was discharged upon his own application. William Tweed was discharged by reason of his removal from the state and Raymond Collins because of his departure to parts unknown. Within the next few days several other members will be discharged because they have moved out of the state, and the company will be reduced then to about 62 men and officers.

The new army bill becomes effective July 1. This calls for the recruiting of National Guard companies up to a total of 103 men and officers, divided as follows: One captain at a salary of \$500; one first lieutenant at \$420; one second lieutenant at \$200; one first sergeant, one supply sergeant, one mess sergeant, six sergeants, 11 corporals, two buglers, one mechanic, 19 first class privates and 56 privates. The non-commissioned officers and men draw at the rate of one-quarter the regular army pay, provided they attend at least 48 drills a year.

The strength of the militia of each state, under the provisions of the army bill is to be at the rate of 200 for every representative and senator, and it shall be increased at the rate of 50 per cent each year until the total strength amounts to 800 for every senator and representative.

Capt. Gibson is very anxious to get the company recruited up to the full strength before July 1 in order that the men may all begin drawing pay. The pay is received ever six months, but unless a member attends 24 drills between July 1 and January 1 he will not receive his pay until the end of the year. This means quick recruiting if new members are to get into the company membership in time to draw the first six months pay January 1.

The fact that the company is now assured a machine gun will help attract new members, for this detachment of the command will be entirely new to National Guard circles and is one that few companies in a state will have.

LEFT PILES OF CORPSES.

Austrian Attack in Dense Formation Fails to Dislodge Italians.

ROME, by way of London, June 16.—Austro-Hungarian troops estimated to number 18,000 were sent forward to form the Italian position on the Asiago plateau yesterday, but they were repulsed, leaving piles of corpses before the Italian trenches, says an official statement issued today.

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